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C. of C. Hears Givens Explain Sheppard Bill

Featuring the regular monthly meeting of the Joshua Tree Chamber of Commerce at the Community Hall last Friday evening was the talk made by Frank R. Givens, Custodian of the Joshua Tree National Monument, on the "Value of the Monument to the Community" and the interesting question and answer period afterward in which he explained various features of the Sheppard Bill.

In addition to the regular order of business the members also heard from C. V. Wilson and Frank Biggs who explained special projects for the future. Director Wilson told of the membership campaign now in full swing. All members of the board of directors are participating in the drive and the four losers will treat the five who bring in the largest number of new members to a steak dinner. The drive will end on September 30th which is the date on which a census of the population in Joshua Tree will be made. Secretary Biggs, newly appointed chairman of the consolidated Civic Affairs and New Enterprises committee, announced a drive for new businesses and asked for suggestions from the members and all interested citizens.

Givens, introduced by President McMillen, told the capacity audience the difference between a National Park and a National Monument. The former, said Givens, can be established only by act of Congress whereas a Monument can be set up by Presidential decree or Congressional action. Usually, he continued, a Park is primarily of scenic value and a Monument contains things of historical or scientific interest. Joshua Tree National Monument is fortunate in having the features of both.

Givens pointed out that the benefits derived can not always be measured in dollars but that many are intangibles. He spoke of the visits of several scientists for the purpose of studying the flora and fauna of the area. He also said that when wild life is protected in a National area it increased to the extent that, because of migration from the area, hunting in adjacent territory becomes much better. It was of interest to the audience that mountain sheep, seldom seen by the tourist, are found in the Joshua Tree Monument. The speaker said that approximately 36,000 tourists visited here during the last year in spite of the fact that no camp sites or other accomodations have been provided.

In speaking of the Sheppard Bill Givens explained that this measure contemplates the deletion of about 315,000 acres and the acquisition of some 15,000 acres. The proposed legislation authorizes but does not appropriate $215,000 for the purchase of private lands with-

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The Forward O. P.

That harassed look on the faces of Joshua Tree mothers will probably be erased by next Monday. The kiddies, no doubt, are jubilant over the reprieve granted them by the delay in finishing the Legion Hall in time for classes to start this week.

One of these days we'll be dragging out the leather jackets and the wool shirts. Toward the end of September the nights and early mornings get that crispness that makes fall worth while on our desert.

I haven't noticed what effect on the stalwart sex of Joshua Tree the recent fashion decree has had. Do you suppose the men folks just don't give a hoot?

Just think, only ninety-eight more days till Christmas. Better start saving up for Aunt Minnie's and Uncle Oswald's presents.

State game wardens report that prospects for a good deer season are pretty good around here. Maybe we should oil up our shootin' irons and get out the hunting boots.

Wonder if the County couldn't be persuaded to iron out the bumps in the road thru the wash on the way to the National Monument? With the winter season on its way a lot of visitors will be "comin' round the mountains", too.

Joshua Tree School Opening Delayed

All elementary schools and the 29 Palms High School, with the exception of the Joshua Tree grade school, opened Monday, September 15th. The Joshua Tree school will open next Monday, September 22nd. Because of a delay in delivery of materials the American Legion Building in which classes will be held was not completed in time for the opening sessions. It is expected that all work will be finished this week.

Sunday School Party at Beards

A dozen Sunday School pupils were entertained last Thursday by Mrs. H. K. Lee and Mrs. George Beard at the Beard home on El Reposo. Games were played and the Rally Day play rehearsed. Cup cakes and punch were served.

Noted Scientist Studies Local Plant Life

Dr. F. W. Went of the California Institute of Technology, and President of the American Society of Plant Physiologists, spent September 6 and 7 in Joshua Tree National Monument. Custodian Frank R. Givens, who joined the group, states that he was accompanied by several students, botanists, and by a photographer and writer for Life Magazine who are preparing an article on desert plants.

Dr. Went reports that the purpose of the trip was to study and photograph some of the many very small plants, too small to be noticed by the casual observer. Many of these small plants are amazingly colorful if viewed under a magnifying glass. A series of enlarged photographs has been made and colored to assist in the study and appreciation of these little-known desert flowers.

Dr. Went has made many research trips to Joshua Tree National Monument. He states that this is one of our most representative Western desert areas and, since it is protected, future botanists will be able to check his data and carry on the research program.

Legion Auxiliary Officers Installed

A drill team from the Troy Martin Unit of the American Legion Auxiliary in 29 Palms conducted the installation of officers of the Joshua Tree Legion Auxiliary on Thursday night at the home of Maude Fox. Because of the alteration work in progress at the Legion Hall the ceremony could not be held there.

Mrs. Nelle Godwin was the installing officer and was assisted by the following ladies: Eva Enger, president; Billie Bolster, junior past president; Maude Martin, 1st vice-president; Norene Ferguson, 2nd vice - president; Alma Steeg, secretary; Prudence Underhill, treasurer; Rose Lippin, historian; Aylene Dorsett, chaplain; Florence Curry, sergeant at arms; Edythe Covington, marshal, and Mary Hinkle, executive committee. They were attractively dressed in white uniforms and presented the ritual in an outstanding manner.

Mrs. Maude Fox was presented a jewelled past president's pin by Mrs. Billie Bolster as a token of appreciation for her work during the past year. For their meritorious service Mrs. Eva Lehenbauer, secretary, and Mrs. Thelma Wiser, treasurer, were awarded, respectively, a quill guari pin and a cigarette lighter.

New officers installed were Maude Fox, junior past president; Norma Bunker, president; Irene Rogers, 1st vice-president; Georgia Harrington, 2nd vice - president; Thelma Wiser, secretary-treasurer; Benita Lyday, historian; Clella Herdman, chaplain, and Elsie Iverson, sergeant at arms.

Punch and cookies as refreshments were served by the Joshua Tree members.

Tri-Valley Gun Club Formed At Yucca Village

At a meeting last Friday in the O. D. Thomas office at Yucca Village the Tri-Valley Gun Club was formed and incorporation papers applied for. Officers and directors elected were O .D. Thomas, president; Tom Humphreville, Jr., vice-president; Fred Briggs, secretary-treasurer and armorer; William Doyle, Raymond Royal, Tommy Bouchey, Ed Hardesty, Tom Humphreville, Sr., and Art Cagey, directors.

According to President Thomas the initiation fee will be $5.00 and the dues 50c monthly. Membership is open to anyone fifteen years of age and older. It is planned to construct a modern, automatically controlled target range with targets from fifty to one thousand yards, on the dry lake in Section 33.

Elimination contests will be held every Sunday at 9 a.m. until the Sunday before Thanksgiving when those qualified will shoot for cash prizes and locally raised turkeys.

The Tri-Valley Club hopes to qualify as a branch of the National Rifle Association. Ammunition will be sold on the ground to contestants at wholesale prices by the armorer. A feature of the matches will be proper coaching of beginners by experts. All competition will be governed by NRA rules as to caliber, ammunition and distance. A special cash pool calling for a single shot at one hundred yards will be shot on Thanksgiving with a $5.00 entrance fee, winner take all. Skeet shooting will be arranged for after Thanksgiving.

Those interested may contact any director or the secretary-treasurer at Boucheys in Yucca Village.

Women's Club Starts Fall Season

The first meeting this season of the Joshua Tree Women's Club will be held Friday afternoon, September 19th, at the Club House. It will be a guest meeting to which all the ladies of Joshua Tree are invited. Mary Ojala, program chairman, has arranged an entertaining musical program and refreshments will be served. The business meeting will be devoted to plans for the furtherance of the club community service projects. The meeting will start at 2:00 p.m.

Denier Buys Coulter Guest House

Verna Coulter reported to the Journal that she had sold the Coulter Guest House last week to J. F. Denier of Banning and Palm Springs. Denier is a painting and decorating contractor in both cities. It was reported that he will add several more units to the Guest House and do considerable landscaping of the grounds.

Mrs. Coulter has recently assumed the management of an accounting business in Banning. She said that a home in Banning was a consideration in the sale contract. Mr. and Mrs. Denier were in Joshua Tree last week but it was not learned when the new owners will take up residence here.

Joshua Forest Estates to be Expanded

J. A. Benell is expanding the Joshua Forest Estates west of Joshua Tree by adding 25 acres of Benell's Whispering Well Ranch which will set up some 150 estate parcels of one acre or more. Benell proposes to donate the use rights of approximately 7 or 8 acres on the north side of the property along the Old Woman Springs Road to the young folks of Yucca Valley for playground and park purposes.

The Personal Touch

Forrest Wilson returned Friday after a two day business jaunt to Los Angeles.

Mr. Leonard Sladek and Miss Freda Browning were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Fields last weekend. Miss Browning served in the Navy as a Wave for three years and is now a service engineer at Douglas Aircraft Corporation. Mr. Sladek is with Cambar Aluminum Garage Door Co. Both visitors are from Inglewood.

Lelia Eastman, a business associate of O. D. Thomas, and her business manager, Frank Baskins, flew to K Field from Orange County in a new Cessna last weekend. They were guests at the Joshua Tree Lodge. Mrs. Eastman and O. D. Thomas conferred on matters pertaining to their land holdings.

Ed Bartlett of Los Angeles is spending the rest of the month at his home in Joshua Tree. He will devote most of his time to checking old surveys and locating corners on his lands near town.

Mr. and Mrs. William McCormick celebrated their fifty-fifth wedding anniversary last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gray Krumcke returned Saturday after a week in Upland where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Krumcke's uncle, Paul Morrison of Ontario. Mr. Morrison died suddenly last week during a game of golf. Mrs. Krumcke's mother, Mrs. May Morrison returned with them for a month's sojourn on our desert.

Ray and Lani Schultz went to San Fancisco last week for an indefinite stay.

Mrs. Marian Gfeller and her son John were guests at Gladys Teeter's last week and also spent a few days at Ohlsen Ranch in the Monument.

Dick Harding, formerly of Buffalo, N. Y., and now living in Ontario, is visiting Dick Johnson in Joshua Tree.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Mitchell returned Saturday after a leisurely trip up the coast and then over to Reno for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. John McGee will leave Sunday for a three week visit with their folks in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Everett Zeitz of Glendale was a weekend visitor in Joshua Tree. He purchased the property next to Col. Moore's on Easterly Drive and plans to erect rental units there.

Zilpha Keatley returned Saturday to Whittier where she will be a senior this year at Whittier College. In her spare time Miss Keatley is employed at the Campus Inn.

George Beard left a week ago Monday for Simi where he and his brother will be working for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Downer were up from Los Angeles for a weekend at their home on Valley View Circle.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fox left Tuesday after a ten day stay at their Joshua Tree home. Frank's father, Amos B. Fox, was a visitor while they were here. Frank has to report to the Veterans' Hospital for a check up on Wednesday.

Elizabeth Buckley is spending a few days at her home on Sunburst Circle.

James Whitehorn spent Wednesday and Thursday in Joshua Tree attending business matters at the Whitehorn Ranch just west of town.

Fred Warner of Los Angeles drove out last week with Steve Moninger and will spend several days at Mira Monte Courts.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Sorenson will depart soon for an ocean voyage to Honolulu. They will visit a married son in the Islands whose family they have never seen.

On leave from Green Cove Springs, Florida is Ship's Cook Don Combs who is visiting his parents, the B. B. Wilds in Joshua Tree.

A surprise renewal of old acquaintance took place last Friday when Francis Dugan and Bob Larsen met for the first time in several years. They were both members of the 113th Cavalry at the start of the late war, and before that had played football on opposing teams in their home town of Council Bluffs, Iowa. Dugan is visiting the C. O. Petersons between flights to Tokyo.

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Stuck of Garden City visited Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Lee over the weekend. Mrs. Stuck and Mr. Lee are sister and brother.

Rees Gives Ambulance Mileage

Since the ambulance was delivered to Joshua Tree on the day of the Turtle Races in May, according to Ray Rees, Chief Driver, it has answered 15 calls for a total of 1952 miles. Rees drove 1635 miles in responding to twelve calls; Gus Ojala travelled 245 miles on two calls; and Al Thomas answered one call that necessitated a drive of 72 miles. Miss Edith Parrish was the attendant on four trips and Mrs. Rose Palmer attended patients on two trips. All other trips were attended by Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith or relatives of the patients.

Correction, Please

Mathematically inclined readers were undoubtedly amazed at the high cost of labor as indicated in the financial report published in the article on the Joshua Tree Community Association, and well they might be. Instead of 172 hours labor at $1.50 per hour totalling $2625, it should have been 1750 hours at the same rate.

Imperial Valley Pioneer Visits Here

Old friends were reunited for a few days last week when Mrs. Emma B. Laizure spent Monday and Tuesday as a guest of Miss Josephine Jackson at her home on Park Boulevard. Mrs. Laizure was a resident of the Imperial Valley when the Salton Sea was formed by flood conditions in the Colorado River. She remembers that a salt plant stood in the area that is now the bottom of the sea. Mrs. Laizure also told about the railroad tracks having to be moved more than once in order to avoid the encroaching waters. This interesting pioneer woman is now a resident of San Francisco.

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Second Sunday of each month in Community Church at 29 Palms

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY OF TWENTYNINE PALMS

Service every Sunday at 10 a.m. in the DAV Hall.

Sunday School convenes at the same hour.

Wednesday evening testimony meeting at 8 p.m.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

Church Corner

By ANTOINETTE KIRCH

"In the Beginning, God." If we will use this thought for the beginning of each new day what a wonderful help it will be.

Dr. Williams read from the 1st chapter of Genesis, verses 1 to 5 and preached a splendid sermon. Mrs. Kirch sang "Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us," Mrs. H. K. Lee accompanying.

Dr. Williams will not be with us next Sunday. He will be out of town taking care of business pertaining to our building program.

Sunday, October 5th, will be the first anniversary of our Chapel and all charter members and friends of the church are urged to attend. There will be special music and a splendid service.

A special Rally Day program was given by the pupils of the Sunday School. It was enjoyed by many parents and friends.

Sun Valley Notes

By BOB MORRIS

Mr. and Mrs. Emig and daughter Ann returned last Wednesday from a vacation tour of Los Angeles, Long Beach, Redondo and several other coastal towns.

The turkey's had a little excitement last Wednseday when four Navy Hellcats dropped down for a closer look. I wonder if the Navy is interested in purchasing a turkey ranch.

Mr. Dean Ledesma son of Mr. and Mrs. George Ledesma has returned from his summer vacation at Cedar Pine. The biggest trees I've seen in many a day, says Dean.

Work on the road leading to Sun Valley from Twentynine Palms Highway done by the County Maintenance crew has taken most of the bumps out of it.

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THE SHEPARD BILL

Much local interest in the effect of the pending legislation known as the Shepard Bill was evidenced at the Chamber of Commerce meeting last Friday. In effect, the passage of this bill would decrease the area of the Joshua Tree National Monument by approximately one third while retaining the more interesting scenic and scientific areas It would delete from Park Service control fifteen sections of good hunting country on the west end and large areas of mineralized country in the north and southeast portions of the Monument. At the same time this legislation would authorize the appropriation of over $200,000 for the acquisition of private lands within the Monument. It does not necessarily mean that all private lands would be acquired, nor that homesteaders would be ousted.

Differences of opinion exist as to the merits of the Shepard Bill. Some believe that the whole Monument should be thrown open to mining. Others claim that mining, particularly in the scenic areas, is not a profitable operation. There is good reasoning back of the latter view. Water and timber must be readily available before mining operations can return a dividend to the mining companies.

In our opinion, the passage of the Shepard Bill would benefit far more people than would the mining interests. Development of the Joshua Tree National Monument for the benefit of tourists would attract thousands to this desert area. Tourists have money to spend. All the communities adjacent to the Monument would benefit the year round. New businesses would be required and those already established would prosper. From the non-pecuniary angle it would give enjoyment to thousands of people who are constantly searching out the beauty spots of the great southwest.

In a project of this magnitude it is true that some few individuals will benefit more than others, and that some will be inconvenienced. That is always the case when new areas are set aside for National Parks or Monuments.

It is our honest conviction that the passage of the Shepard Bill will bring greater benefits to greater numbers than will a few mining interests trying to exploit doubtful resources.

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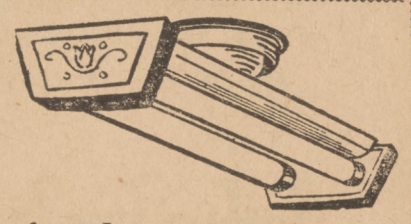

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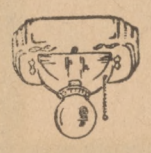

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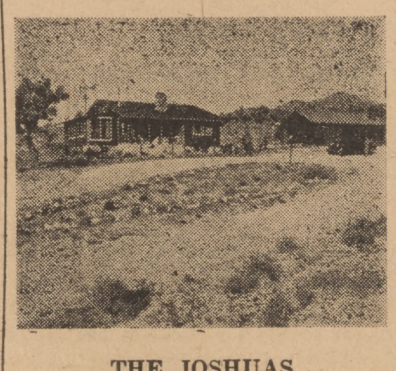

THE JOSHUAS

This morning just after sunrise we drove up into the hills back of the cabin and brought down several loads of small rock to make a retaining wall for a flower-bed. Work like that is really fun if one goes in the cool of the day and does not use too much energy.

This excursion in search of rocks reminded me of a conversation I had recently with an attorney from Van Nuys. He remarked that he would like to retire if he thought he could fill his leisure time with interesting activities. That serious thought often confronts one as his years of active work are about to be finished.

After one's busy days are over he likes to think that he is still a useful citizens of a community. Furthermore while he is enjoying the fruits of past labors and experiences, he wants to share that enjoyment with others. It seems to me whether one's background has been one of mental or physical activities he can continue after retirement to keep interested and enthusiastic in much that is going on about him!

JOSHUA TREE

There's a little town upon the desert
Which I long, and long to see,
It is full of charm and sunshine,
The little town of Joshua Tree.

I'd spend a lazy day if I were there,
Or two—or maybe three.
Just a restin', and a livin'—
In the little town of Joshua Tree.

There are hills and rocks galore
Plants of wind-blown filigree,
And lovely things of wonder
In the little town of Joshua Tree.

There's water clear as crystal
And healthful air, all free.
Unsurpassed in any land, is
The little town of Joshua Tree.

The folks? Why, they are superfine,
And as happy as can be—
I'd just like to call it **home**,
This little town of Joshua Tree.
—Ruth La Rue
Sherman Oaks.

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What price, for example, would you put on a child's laugh heard a thousand miles away? On the swift response of the fire department? On the cementing of a friendship, or relief from anxiety? What price would you put on a hundred words exchanged by separated lovers?

And the value of telephone service has increased tremendously during the past few years because of the expansion of telephone systems everywhere. The cost of furnishing that service also has soared, to unprecedented heights, because of the rise in the price of materials and labor. Yet, the price you pay for a telephone in the house has remained virtually the same for more than twenty-five years.

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- SPORTS -

Cubs Take Last Half Honors; Beat Kenneys 8-7

In a tight affair that saw them trailing most of the way the Cubs broke a seven to seven deadlock and then retired three Druggists in a row to take the game and cinch first place in the league standings for the second half at Gilpin Field Thursday night. Not a one of the hundreds that witnessed the fray left until the final out was made. Even if the Cubs lose their last game this week it will not bump them out of first place. Next week will see the start of the series to determine the season championship between Dean-Bagley's, first half winners, and the Joshua Tree Cubs. It had not been determined at press time whether five or seven games will be played.

Thomas, first man to bat for the Cubs, was safe on an error. Brown popped out to third baseman. Clark hit one to Nicoll who juggled it too long to make the putout. Garry's long drive to left field enabled Thomas to score. Leyhe lifted one to the shortstop to end the top half of the first inning. The Druggists tied it up in their half as Haese flied to Clark, Fowler benefitted by a bobble when Manzer threw wide to Johnson. A single by Nicoll scored Fowler. Dunn hit safely, G. Smith fanned and Harz was safe on an error. Phelps grounded out to end the threat.

For the next three frames the Cubs could do nothing with Nicoll's slants. In the second and the fourth the Kenney men got two in each frame to put them out in front five to one. In the fifth after Marble and Thomas were out Brown doubled and Clark walked and both came home on Garry's smashing double to deep left. Leyhe was out, Nicoll to W. Smith, to end the hitting. It was three up and three down for the Druggists.

In the sixth the Cubs went ahead for a short time. Johnson doubled and made third on Manzer's single after Ford popped out to the pitcher. Marble drove one to left field for two bases and brought in Johnson and Manzer. Thomas tripled scoring Marble and then tallied on Brown's single. Clark popped up to Nicoll who threw to first to catch Brown for the third out. The Kenney men came right back with two runs on four hits to knot the count again. In the seventh a walk to Leyhe and a single by Ford accounted for the winning margin. The Druggists went out in jig time to end the game.

Both pitchers were steady and were well supported although Nicoll yielded eleven hits and Marble was touched for fourteen. Marble walked none and fanned two while his mates bobbled three times. Nicoll struck out two and walked two as the Druggists erred twice.

For the winners Brown with a double and two singles, Manzer with a double and single and Ford with two singles were the best stickmen. On the Kenney team W. Smith had a perfect evening with the game's only four bagger, a double and a single, and Nicoll hit two doubles and two singles in four times up. Haese and Dunn each batted .500.

Umpiring by Todd calling balls and strikes, Nichols on first and Papendick at third was eminently satisfactory.

Score by innings:		R	H	E
Joshua Cubs	....100 024 1	—8	11	3
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Palm Springs Batters Cubs in Overtime Game

Up to the end of the seventh inning at Legion Field last Friday night it was a good contest between the Joshua Tree Cubs and the Palm Springs Mexicans with the score tied at seven all. But then the slaughter commenced. Not only did the visitors bring up the heavy artillery but the Cubs split at the seams and spilled themselves all over the field and once even lost the ball in the great beyond.

It was a pitchers battle between Grieto and Marble for seven innings, with each hurler bearing down in the pinches. The Palm Springers started off well and counted three times in the first. In the second neither side tallied. The visitors got two more in the third and none in the fourth. In the last of this stanza the Cubs pushed across one run and one more in the fifth while the Palmists scored once more. The sixth was scoreless.

In the seventh the Cubs came to life and knocked Grieto's offerings here and there long enough to bring in five runs which tied up the ball game after the visitors had raised their count to seven with one in their half of the seventh.

In the fatal eight Marble retired in favor of Clark. Hits by the Mexicans and errors by the Cubs were equally numerous and after the smoke had cleared away thirteen runs had ruined the ball game for the home folks. The Cubs could only count once before the final out.

Strikeouts were numerous, Marble having seven to his credit, Grieto nine and Clark three.

Score by innings		R	H
Palm Springs	3 0 2 0 1 0 1 1 3	20	17
Joshua Cubs	0 0 0 1 1 0 5 1	8	9

LEAGUE STANDING	Won	Lost
Joshua Cubs	7	1
Dean's-Bagleys	5	4
Kenneys	4	4
Sport Center	4	5
Josh Cafe	4	5
Market Basket	2	7

GAMES THIS WEEK

Tuesday, Sport Center—Josh Cafe
Wednesday, Josh Cafe—DMB
Thursday, Kenney's—D-B

Cubs Beat Series Foe in Preview

Sunday night's game was one the result of which all Joshua Tree fans would like to see repeated four times in a row, come next week. That is a roundabout way of saying that the Cubs defeated the Dean-Bagley combination from 29 Palms at Legion Field by a score of 11 to 8.

Starting off by zeroing the visitors in the top half of the first the Cubs accumulated six runs in their half. Four hits, a couple of walks and a brace of errors let Ojala, Clark, Garry, Johnson, Leyhe and Ford cross the home plate. Ellis tallied for the DB team in the second but the locals chalked up a pair.

In the third walks and errors let the visitors count five times on two hits. The home boys came right back with two more in the same frame. Two in the fourth ended the scoring by the Dean-Bagley combine and the Cubs rang the bell once more in the sixth for an unnecessary marker. Sullivan pitched for the 29 Palms men and was touched for thirteen safe whacks. Marble was completely ungenerous and allowed only five scattered hits. Dunavant of the DB crew and Ojala of the Cubs each homered.

Score by innings		R	H
D ean-Bagley	0 1 5 2 0 0 0	8	5
Joshua Cubs	6 2 2 0 1 0 x	11	13

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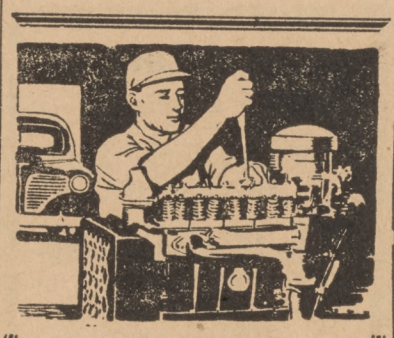

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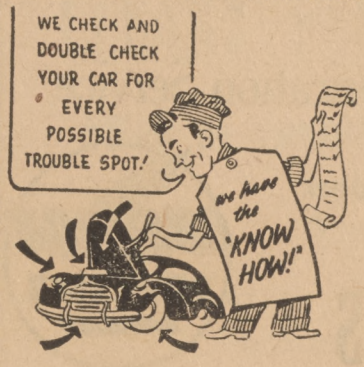

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Morongo Valley Notes

By GLADYS ULRICH

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hamilton have moved into the new home that they designed. It is located on the Scott tract.

Mrs. Covington was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Al Weir for a few days. She plans to move to Morongo in a month.

Dorothy and Al Hardesty returned recently from a month vacation spent in our northern states and Canada. They spent some time at Lake Louise.

Mrs. Don Zilliox and Miss Irma Williams spent a few days last week in Long Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Melohn and children of Pasadena have been spending a week at Alma Borg's Guest Inn. Mr. and Mrs. Hall of Manhattan Beach and the Slaughters of Balboa were weekend guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Anton Terp left Friday for a few weeks vacation. They plan to spend some time in northern California, Washington and Canada.

The Morongo Valley Chamber of Commerce received its incorporation papers last week.

Morongo Social Club Elect New Officers

By M. ROSELLA HESS

Election of officers for the ensuing year for the Morongo Woman's Social Club, was held Thursday at their regular monthly meeting, at the home of Mrs. Clara Livingstone on the lawn in the shade of her trees. A large group was present and six visiting ladies became members of the club.

Mrs. Marion Weir, retiring president has served for the past year and a half, finishing out the term left vacant by the resignation of Mrs. Dorothy Ballard. During her term of office many new members were added to the club. and considerable money raised. Recently the club entertained free of charge, the members, and husbands and friends from Morongo and Yucca Valleys, at a potluck luncheon at the barbecue pit and swimming pool of Livingstones. It has become an annual affair.

Mrs. Clara Livingstone was elected president to succeed Mrs. Weir, and with the assistance of every member of the club she plans on big things done in a big way. The schedule will be worked out later.

Mrs. Lillian Murphy was re-elected to the office of vice-president of the club.

Mrs. Naomi Hobgood, was re-elected for the second term as secretary-treasurer.

Installation of officers will take place at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Maxwell the first Thursday in October. This will be the third anniversary of the club which was founded by Mrs. Rosella Hess in 1944 with a membership of five. It is nearing the hundred mark now. Quite a few of the members own property in Morongo Valley but reside elsewhere.

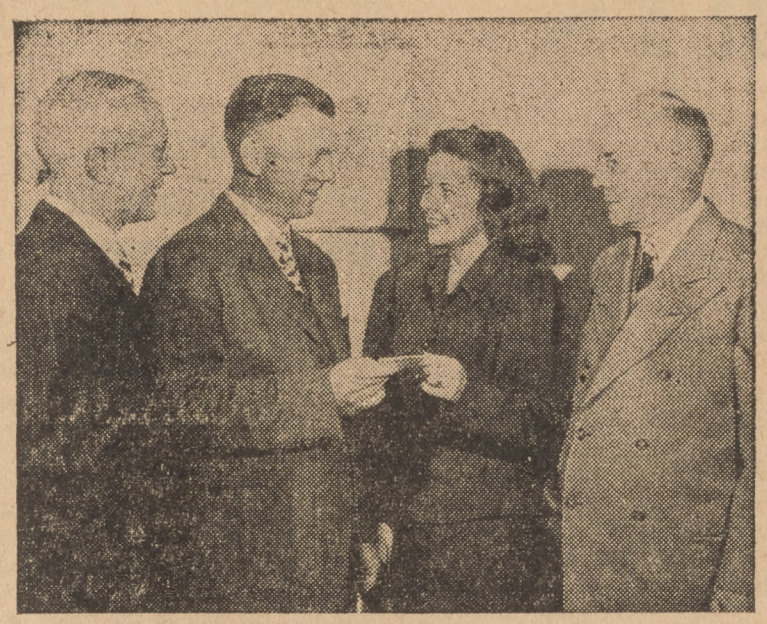
New members who joined at the last meeting were Mrs. Ruth Craver, Mrs. Elizabeth Stone, Mrs. Mary Millington, Mrs. Emma Fergoren, and Mrs. Frances Aiter of Yucca Valley.

The club contributed towards the building of the new school house and community hall in Morongo, which will be located on ground donated by John Mackenzie near the C. D. Crawford court .

Mrs. Helen Hoffman, former resident of Yucca and Morongo and a member of the club drove out from Los Angeles to attend the meeting.

Delightful refreshments were served by Mrs. Livingstone.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Hess returned home Tuesday from a most delightful trip and a three week's vacation in Southern Idaho, where they visited a number of relatives, took in the famous Sun Valley Rodeo, enjoyed trout fishing on the Magic Dam reservoir and Salmon river, where Mr. Hess caught some large ones. The weather was cool enough to have fire in the mornings and wool clothes felt good. A hail storm, wtih hail the size of a nickle covered the ground white during an electrical storm. It knocked the leaves off the trees and was not good for the crops.



500,000TH ENROLLEE IN HEALTH PLAN — Shirley Ann Woodruff receives her California Physicians' Service membership card from K. H. SHAFFER, general manager, personnel department Standard Oil Company of California. Looking on are Dr. ROBERTSON WARD (left) and Dr. A. M. MEADS, Trustees of California Phyisicians' Service. Known everywhere as "C.P.S." the California Physicians' Service is the voluntary, pre-paid hospital and medical care plan developed by the doctors of California. It is another example of California pioneering. Since its founding in 1939, 37 other state plans have been established on the C.P.S. pattern.

Rural Electrification is in the making in Morongo Valley. A meeting was called by the California Electric Company, Friday at which a number of officials of the company were present and explained to the people just what steps to take to get electricity. First of all they would have to advance $2800 to get the underground main line laid for three miles from the end of the present line. This amount will be paid back to the people, perhaps within a year.

This line will serve about twenty families who lay adjacent to the line, without extra cost. The others farther away will pay for the lines running to their respective places. In many instances several residents can get together on these branch lines and the cost will be less.

It is reported that most of the money has been subscribed todate and that the company will start the work as soon as they have men released from other work.

Mr. Crocker, local manager for the California Electric Company with headquarters at Palm Springs, will have charge of the construction. He asks that the people be patient as it is hard to get things accomplished with men and material shortage, however, they have the underground wire at present for the three miles which will end at George Hick's first house. Those farther on will have to wait until more underground wire arrives.

The meeting was held at the Morongo Inn.

Joshua Tree Ambulance Called Twice Last Week

On Thursday of last week the local ambulance was called to Morongo Valley to take Dave Heaton to the Corona Naval Hospital. Heaton suffered a stroke and was attended on the trip by Mrs. Heaton and Ray Silk.

On Friday Mrs. D. C. Workman was returned to her home after an operation at Saint Bernardine's Hospital in San Bernardino. She was attended by her mother. Ray Rees was the driver on both trips.

Goodies from Gardens

By BETTY BARCLAY

Even a tiny garden patch is a storehouse of goodies. Home-grown vegetables always seem a little better than any you have ever tasted — and from these vegetables real "delight" dishes may be prepared. Here's a recipe for the woman who wants to serve those last few ears of corn from her garden in a way that will produce a lingering memory.

Corn en Casserole

- 2 tablespoons chopped green pepper
- 3 tablespoons finely chopped onion
- 3 tablespoons butter or other fat
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ⅛ teaspoon pepper
- ¼ teaspoon paprika
- ¼ teaspoon dry mustard
- 1½ cups milk
- 2 cups corn flakes
- 2 cups fresh corn, cut from cob
- 1 egg, well beaten

Place green pepper, onion, and 2 tablespoons butter in saucepan and cook gently until tender. Add flour and seasonings and stir until smooth. Add milk and cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Crush 1 cup of the flakes; add with corn and egg to creamed mixture. Turn into greased 1½ quart casserole or 6 greased custard cups. Melt remaining 1 tablespoon butter and pour over remaining 1 cup flakes. Toss lightly to mix. Sprinkle over top of corn. Bake in hot oven (400° F.) 30 minutes for casserole and about 20 minutes for custard cups. Makes 6 servings.

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The Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce meets Tuesday evening preceding Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Woman's Auxiliary, American Legion meets 2nd Thursday each month at 8 P.M. Legion Hall. No August meeting.

American Legion meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at the New American Legion Hall.

Women's Club meets 3rd Friday each month at Club House, 2 P.M.

Board of Directors, Women's Club, meets 1st Friday of month at Club House.

Community Youth Fellowship meets at 6:30 P.M. every Sunday evening at the home of Mrs. H. K. Lee on Commercial and Sunburst.

The Tri-Valley Lions Club meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings of each month. Watch the Joshua Journal for announcement of the place.

Board of Directors of the Tri-Valley Lions Club meets last Thursday of each month at the O. D. Thomas Office in Yucca Valley. All members are welcome.

The Sportsman's Club meets at the American Legion Hall the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month.

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- SPORTSHORTS -

One of the most constant boosters for the Cubs has been Dr. Dean Fairbanks who live on the Hiway, a couple of miles east of town. He attends every game and has been ready on several occasions with first aid for sprains and bruises of the players. The Doc, in case you don't read the Journal regularly, is also a greyhound trainer and fancier.

A new sniffing game was introduced at the Trading Post last week by Melvin Bivins. He had Hubert Aldridge hunting for a fire from the attic to under the refrigerator. Wherever Bivins went the smoke was most noticeable. As a matter of fact it should have been, because a cigaret was smouldering all the time in Bivins' trousers where they were tucked into his boot.

The hills around Yucca Village should soon be well filled with lead since the new gun club will use them as backstop on the proposed rifle range.

Just because the Palm Springs boys had missed a couple of playing dates up here is no reason they should have piled up enough runs to win three games all at once.

With meat prices going up the way they are maybe the sale of hunting licenses will show a big increase. Even a rattlesnake makes pretty good eating, provided you like a combined chicken and fish taste.

Let's hope that a few of the series games between the Dean-Bagley outfit and the Cubs can be played at Legion Field here in Joshua Tree.

McCLAIN GETS MORE LUMBER

The trucks are still appearing with more lumber for local builders at Crane's where the McClain Lumber Company recently started operations.

Sheppard Bill

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in the boundaries of the Monument. The policy of the Park Service, said Givens, is to acquire more than 75 per cent of land in a National Monument before proceeding with extensive development. He pointed out that concessions were let within the boundaries only when accomodations were inadequate in communities adjacent to the area.

Questions answered by Custodian Givens were asked by Mr. Stokes, J. J. Crane, Mrs. Von Radesky and Mrs. Joe Kasal. They were concerned primarily with the possibility of acquisition of private lands within the Monument and other aspects of the Sheppard Bill.

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